

VOUCHERS ARE NOT ON HAND

Real Reason for Controversy Between Regents and State Auditor.

FACT LEAKS UNEXPECTEDLY

Statement of Building and Loan Associations of State Shows Real Estate Loans of Ten Million Dollars.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Aug. 24.—(Special.)—One of the main reasons why the university regents have so persistently refused to file their vouchers with the state auditor is because the regents allow claims and issue certificates on the state auditor before the vouchers have been signed or sworn to by the claimants. On vouchers which had not been signed or sworn to, of course, the auditor would refuse to issue warrants. That certificates were issued before vouchers were signed came out this morning when a representative of the regents telephoned the state auditor he would deliver to him the vouchers for pay for the teachers. When asked why he refused to bring along the others, the agent replied that many of them had not yet been signed or sworn to. The regents, he said, bought a lot of supplies in Europe, and these had to be paid for before the goods were delivered, and of course the warrants had to be issued before the vouchers were signed by the claimants. The agent also told the deputy auditor that it would be some time before the employees would all be able to sign the vouchers. As the law specifically sets out that no warrants shall be issued or money drawn from any source except upon vouchers properly sworn to, Treasurer Brian and Secretary of State Junkin are more firm than ever in their stand taken yesterday. Mr. Brian will not sign a warrant as treasurer until the vouchers have been signed by the secretary of state, and the latter refuses to endorse a certificate to the regents until he has examined the vouchers. That both a supreme court decision as well, they are satisfied, as Mr. Brian today dug up a case in which the decision bears directly on this proposition. The opinion was handed down in 1871 in the case where the attorney general brought numerous proceedings against the auditor to compel him to issue warrants to pay claims for which the legislature appropriated money. The opinion, which was written by Judge Heese, holds that even the legislature cannot audit accounts or claims, but that this must be done by the auditor and secretary of state, even though the legislature appropriates a sum for the satisfaction of the auditor is then within the jurisdiction of the auditor to say whether the claim is right and approval from his decision can be taken only to the district court. The opinion is that even the legislature cannot take from the auditor this right to audit and pass upon claims for money in the state treasury. According to this opinion Mr. Junkin holds the law providing certificates issued by the warrants upon certificates issued by the regents is unconstitutional and of no effect.

GERMAN SINGERS MEETING

Ninth Biennial Session of Societies of Nebraska Convenes at Grand Island.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Aug. 24.—(Special.)

The ninth biennial meeting of the German singing societies of Nebraska, the Nebraska Saengerbund, is now in progress in this city and will close tomorrow with a picnic at Schimmler's lake. Societies are participating from Hastings, Omaha, West Point, Madison and Grand Island and altogether there are 100 male voices. "Fest" songs the individual societies were rehearsed under their local leaders. This morning the united chorus of 100 male voices was again rehearsed in the same songs and will render a public concert at the hall or park of the local society this evening. The "Fest" was opened last evening by an address of welcome by the president of the bund, Mr. J. Leachinsky, of this city and by a greeting by Mayor Henry Schuff. Following this there was a reception concert, in which all the individual societies took part. It was followed by an informal banquet and smoker in the German, termed a "Commerz." The bund will have a brief business session on Sunday morning and the public picnic in the afternoon closes the fest.

CHRISTIAN INDIANS MEETING

Impressive Services Held at Niobrara Denary.

VALENTINE, Neb., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—Friday was the opening day of the Christian Indian convocation of the Niobrara Denary of the Episcopal church in South Dakota. Bishops Hare and Johnson accompanied by Rev. Mr. Wells, rector at Valentine, and many others who came to this city at night, arrived at the convocation grounds on Anlopec creek at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, after a thirty-five mile drive overland. There were about 1,500 people, Indians and whites sitting together in a great circle beside Trinity chapel. Just at sunset a great service was held, the most beautiful and inspiring service of its kind ever held. Whites and reds together, led by the venerable prelate, Bishop Hare, sang their praise to God just as the sun was dipping behind the hills. It was a service that showed the religious progress of the red man, and although half of the Indians are still unchristianized, it showed that they are making a heroic stride in that direction.

Saturday the convocation was organized and officers chosen. Bishop Hare then delivered the opening address and immense crowds. About 800 tents have been put up, and at least 2,000 Indians are camped about St. Mary's school and the chapel.

CHURCH HOWE TO MANCHESTER

Has Again Been Promoted and Will Soon Leave for England.

AUBURN, Neb., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—Hon. Church Howe of this city, who is now serving as consul-general to Montreal, Canada, received word from Washington, D. C., that he had been promoted to the position of consul-general to Manchester, England, one of the largest shipping as well as one of the most important industrial and commercial ports in the world. Before relinquishing his office at Montreal he has been granted sixty days leave to care for his family and to take up the baths for the relief of a slight touch of rheumatism, for twenty days. He will then come to this city and will visit his friends and relatives here for forty days, when he will sail to England and take charge of his post at Manchester.

NEWS OF NEBRASKA

HARVARD.—The weather continues dry; much damage to corn and feed has already been done. PLATTSMOUTH.—Rev. J. E. Houlgate united in marriage Ralph Waldo Jackson and Miss Nellie Stockton of Lincoln. BEATRICE.—The general services for the late James W. Cole, who died at Harrisonville, Mo., Thursday were held here today. INTERMENT was in Evergreen home cemetery.

YORK REALTY MEN ORGANIZING

YORK, Neb., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—Real estate men are organizing a real estate association and at a recent meeting held in the York Commercial club rooms elected Judge T. Eddy Bennett, president and C. F. Baughman, secretary. A constitution and bylaws were submitted and adopted. The object of the organization of the real estate men of York is to have a better understanding and to make a combined effort to promote York's interest. The real estate men report an active demand for York city property, both resident and business, and it is remarkable the number of sales of York county farm land that are being made and the demand for the same when it is taken into consideration that the average price paid for York county lands is from \$75 to \$125 per acre. These lands are producing each year from \$25 to \$40 per acre.

BOY IS TOSSED BY A COW

Youngster's Throat Is Sewn Up and He Will Recover.

UTICA, Neb., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—This morning about 7 o'clock the 8-year-old son of Henry and Mrs. J. M. Gilmore, who lives a half mile southeast of this city, was badly gored by an ugly cow in his pasture. The boy was standing alone when the cow took after him and picked him up on her horns. She caught the little fellow on the left side of the throat and tore it open clear to the right ear, but not tearing out the jugular vein. He was also lacerated in the groin, but not seriously. It took several stitches to sew up the wound in his throat and the doctor thinks he will get along all right.

BRITAN ON ROOSEVELT SPEECH

Nebraskan Criticizes Proposition for Federal Incorporation of Railroads.

MOVE TOWARD CENTRALIZATION

He Says the Motive is to Protect Transportation Corporations from Regulation by the States.

LINCOLN, Aug. 24.—William J. Bryan, commenting on President Roosevelt's last speech, said: "The president has at last disclosed his scheme for centralization at which he has hinted in former speeches. In his Provincetown (Mass.) address he proposed the national incorporation of railroads and other corporations engaged in interstate commerce. 'Here is the secret—it is out at last. The states are annoying the corporations and the corporations demand federal protection from state legislation. The president thinks that action is most pressing as regards those corporations, because they are common carriers, exercise a quasi public function.' The states have been enacting 2-cent fare laws and laws reducing freight rates and the railroad managers demand that they shall be relieved from further fear of such legislation. The president's Hamiltonian ideas make him an easy victim and he yields to the entreaties of the railroads."

STOCKHAM

The three days' reunion of a stock of dynamite near the Burlington depot in this city, the report of which was much like that of a cannon, which the Greeks used to celebrate the day of the Greek war, was carried out each day. From 1,000 to 2,000 attended each day.

CORTLAND STREET FAIR

The street fair held at Cortland Friday and Saturday drew large crowds on both days. The music was furnished by the Wilber band, and there was plenty of entertainment for all over the city. The most interesting feature of Friday's entertainment was the street parade with carriage decorations. The order of the parade was as follows: Wilber band, E. McCormack and family, gold and white; George E. Becken and family, white and red; Sherman and family, white and red; Royal Neighbors of America, float; Miss Sausman, white and pink; horseless carriage; Mrs. Roy Price, orange and yellow; James Bryant, red, white and blue; Cortland Poultry company, float; Mrs. Bailey, float; Mrs. Noyes, float; Mrs. Platts, float; Dr. Posthast, pony clover. A ball game between the Pickrell and Beatrice teams was played at the park, the latter losing by a score of 11 to 1.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Acting Postmaster General McCleary said just before the close of business today that he had not yet received complaint from any source regarding the theft of three registered mail sacks sent from Denver, destined for points in the east. It was originally supposed that these lost mail pouches contained money and valuables said to amount to \$250,000. The statement caused consternation in post-office circles and all the machinery of the inspection force was called into requisition, but despite every effort no trace of the missing pouches has been found. On the other hand, the department officials asserted they have had no complaint from any source regarding the contents of missing registered mail.

NEBRASKA FROM DAY TO DAY

Genial and Curious Features of Life in a Rapidly Growing State. The maximum heavy-weight standard for women in Norfolk has advanced. There is a Norfolk woman weighing 190 pounds and she is good looking that all her neighbors had thrown away their anti-fat bottles and are trying to put on flesh. After all, everything is relative.—Norfolk News. She Still Had Money.—A young man of our city wished to spend Tuesday evening with one of his girl friends and in order to learn if it would be agreeable he wrote a note, called a small boy, gave him the note and a dime and told him to deliver the note and bring back an answer. In a little bit the boy returned, handed back the dime and said: "She said it would be all right, you can come—but she don't need the money."—Sunner News.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Acting Postmaster General McCleary said just before the close of business today that he had not yet received complaint from any source regarding the theft of three registered mail sacks sent from Denver, destined for points in the east. It was originally supposed that these lost mail pouches contained money and valuables said to amount to \$250,000. The statement caused consternation in post-office circles and all the machinery of the inspection force was called into requisition, but despite every effort no trace of the missing pouches has been found. On the other hand, the department officials asserted they have had no complaint from any source regarding the contents of missing registered mail.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Acting Postmaster General McCleary said just before the close of business today that he had not yet received complaint from any source regarding the theft of three registered mail sacks sent from Denver, destined for points in the east. It was originally supposed that these lost mail pouches contained money and valuables said to amount to \$250,000. The statement caused consternation in post-office circles and all the machinery of the inspection force was called into requisition, but despite every effort no trace of the missing pouches has been found. On the other hand, the department officials asserted they have had no complaint from any source regarding the contents of missing registered mail.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Acting Postmaster General McCleary said just before the close of business today that he had not yet received complaint from any source regarding the theft of three registered mail sacks sent from Denver, destined for points in the east. It was originally supposed that these lost mail pouches contained money and valuables said to amount to \$250,000. The statement caused consternation in post-office circles and all the machinery of the inspection force was called into requisition, but despite every effort no trace of the missing pouches has been found. On the other hand, the department officials asserted they have had no complaint from any source regarding the contents of missing registered mail.

DROP PATTERN FURNITURE SALE

TOMORROW MORNING

At 8 o'clock we open our doors for the greatest of all furniture sales. It has been a year and a half since we had one of these memorable drop pattern furniture sales—we say memorable because we have had many, many inquires since our last sale of this kind as to when we would have another. NO WIS THE TIME.

Since last Wednesday, all sale goods have been on display for inspection only, but none sold. Tomorrow, however, you may take your pick of these bargains. Half prices on many odd pieces and suites, less than half on some. In this sale there is a better selection, a larger variety than ever before. All good desirable pieces, each and every one a great bargain.

Beautiful mahogany dining room furniture in part suites and odd pieces. Large assortment of bedroom furniture in suites and separate odd pieces, all woods and finishes. Many pieces for the library, the den, in fact furniture for every room in the house. All assembled on main floor for this sale. Here is a partial list of items:

Table with 2 columns: Regular Prices and Drop Pattern Sale Prices. Lists various furniture items like 'Drop Pattern Sale Prices \$95.00 solid mahogany Davenport, Antique reproduction, for \$47.50', 'Regular Prices \$150.00 curly birch Dresser and Chiffonier, for \$85.00', etc.

The above are but a few of the items on sale, taken at random. There are many patterns of dining room chairs, two, three, four and five of a pattern, also sets of dining room chairs and many odd pieces.

Orchard & Wilhelm Carpet Company

414-16-18 South Sixteenth Street.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Slow Progress Being Made on the Mud Creek Sewer. The slow progress of the work on the Mud Creek sewer has convinced the company that only the introduction of improved machinery for excavation will accomplish the work with sufficient economy to enable them to realize on their contract.

MODERN MACHINERY NECESSARY

Brick Firm Has Representative Here to Look After Its Interests in the West Q Street Paving Contract. The slow progress of the work on the Mud Creek sewer has convinced the company that only the introduction of improved machinery for excavation will accomplish the work with sufficient economy to enable them to realize on their contract.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Acting Postmaster General McCleary said just before the close of business today that he had not yet received complaint from any source regarding the theft of three registered mail sacks sent from Denver, destined for points in the east. It was originally supposed that these lost mail pouches contained money and valuables said to amount to \$250,000. The statement caused consternation in post-office circles and all the machinery of the inspection force was called into requisition, but despite every effort no trace of the missing pouches has been found. On the other hand, the department officials asserted they have had no complaint from any source regarding the contents of missing registered mail.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Acting Postmaster General McCleary said just before the close of business today that he had not yet received complaint from any source regarding the theft of three registered mail sacks sent from Denver, destined for points in the east. It was originally supposed that these lost mail pouches contained money and valuables said to amount to \$250,000. The statement caused consternation in post-office circles and all the machinery of the inspection force was called into requisition, but despite every effort no trace of the missing pouches has been found. On the other hand, the department officials asserted they have had no complaint from any source regarding the contents of missing registered mail.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Acting Postmaster General McCleary said just before the close of business today that he had not yet received complaint from any source regarding the theft of three registered mail sacks sent from Denver, destined for points in the east. It was originally supposed that these lost mail pouches contained money and valuables said to amount to \$250,000. The statement caused consternation in post-office circles and all the machinery of the inspection force was called into requisition, but despite every effort no trace of the missing pouches has been found. On the other hand, the department officials asserted they have had no complaint from any source regarding the contents of missing registered mail.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Acting Postmaster General McCleary said just before the close of business today that he had not yet received complaint from any source regarding the theft of three registered mail sacks sent from Denver, destined for points in the east. It was originally supposed that these lost mail pouches contained money and valuables said to amount to \$250,000. The statement caused consternation in post-office circles and all the machinery of the inspection force was called into requisition, but despite every effort no trace of the missing pouches has been found. On the other hand, the department officials asserted they have had no complaint from any source regarding the contents of missing registered mail.